



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **HOJO, Hisakazu, et al.**

Serial No.: **10/523,034**

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For: **FLOWER THINNING AGENT**

Group Art Unit: **1771**

Examiner: **Elizabeth M. Cole**

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

- EXPEDITED RESPONSE -

GROUP ART UNIT 1771

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

November 15, 2007

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **July 16, 2007**, the period for response extended to **November 16, 2007**, by a Petition for a one-month Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.